



Attorney Docket No. 979-064

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of

Examiner: TBA

Mercier

Group Art Unit: TBA

Serial No.: 10/817,144

Filed: April 1, 2004

For: FLUID METER, IN PARTICULAR A WATER METER WITH  
A VOLUMETRIC MEASUREMENT CHAMBER

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Non Fee Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

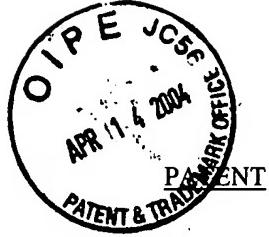
SIR:

In connection with the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of Claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.



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**AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

[ ] The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

## **CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Covered by Previous Payments	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims*	7	-	20 =0	x \$9.00 \$ _____
Independent Claims	1	-	3 =0	x \$43.00 \$ _____
Multiple Dependent Claim(s)	(If claims added by amendment include Multiple Dependent Claim(s) and there was no Multiple Dependent Claim(s) in application before amendment add \$260.00 to additional fee.)			\$ _____
			Total:	\$ _____
[ ]	Verified Statement of "Small Entity" Status Under 37 CFR § 1.27 filed _____. Reduced Fees Under 37 CFR § 1.9(f) (50% of total) paid herewith.			\$ _____

\* Includes all independent and single dependent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(c).



Charge fee to Deposit Account No. 19-2825 . Order No. \_\_\_\_\_  
A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.19-2825. Order No. 979-064.  
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- [ ] \_\_\_\_ Page(s) of substitute Sequence Listing
- [ ] \_\_\_\_ Computer disk(s) containing substitute Sequence Listing
- [ ] Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.825(b) that the computer and paper copies of the substitute Sequence Listing are the same.
- [ ] A check in the amount of \$359.00 to cover the filing fee is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: April 12, 2004

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